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KENNETH D. R. SETCHELL et al.

Serial No.: 10/625,989 :
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COMPOSITIONS AND PRODUCTS CONTAINING R-EQUOL, AND METHODS FOR THEIR MAKING

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This paper and the enclosed documents are being submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(b), i.e., within three (3) months of the application filing date or prior to a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due.

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